THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Government brings out TV spots and Information, Education and Communication (IEC) messages through pamphlets, posters, hoardings, radio, etc. on the various contraceptives available in the programme and also gives messages on the importance of birth spacing.

Setting up of Cancer Research Centre

†3900. SHRI ABHAY KANT PRASAD: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have set up any Cancer Research Centre in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) to what extent these Research Centres are able to treat this disease; and

(d) whether any new vaccine has been developed for the treatment of cancer?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) to (c) Under the National Cancer Control Programme this Ministry has recognized 20 Regional Cancer Centres (RCCs) in different parts of the country (Details annexed as Statement) *(See* below). These RCCs undertake early detection, diagnosis, treatment and research activities in the field of cancer. The RCCs are equipped for Surgery, Radiotherapy, Chemotherapy and Supportive care for treatment of cancer in the respective State/ region.

(d) According to the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), vaccine against Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) has been developed for control of cervical cancers, however, the efficacy of the vaccine has not yet been established since trials are underway.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Statement

List of RCCs

1. Kamla Nehru Memorial Hospital Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh
2. Chittaranjan National Cancer Institute, Kolkata, West Bengal
3. Kidwai Memorial Instt. of Oncology, Bangalore, Karnataka
4. Regional Cancer Institute (WIA), Adyar, Chennai, Tamil Nadu
5. Acharya Harihar Regional Cancer Centre for Cancer Research & treatment, Cuttack, Orissa
6. Regional Cancer Control Society, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh
7. Cancer Hospital and Research Centre, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh
8. Indian Rotary Cancer Institute, (A.I.I.M.S.), New Delhi
9. R.S.T. Hospital & Research Centre, Nagpur, Maharashtra
10. Pt. J.N.M. Medical College, Raipur, Chhattisgarh
11. Regional Cancer Centre, Thiruvananthapuram
12. Gujarat Cancer Research Institute, Ahmedabad, Gujarat
13. MNJ Institute of Oncology, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh
14. Pondicherry Regional Cancer Society, JIPMER, Pondicherry
15. Dr. B. B. Cancer Institute, GuwahatJ, Assam
16. Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai, Maharashtra
17. Indira Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences, Patna, Bihar
18. Acharya Tulsi Regional Cancer Trust & Research Institute (RCC), Bikaner, Rajasthan
19. Regional Cancer Centre, Pt. B. D. Sharma Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Rohtak, Haryana
20. Civil Hospital, Aizwal, Mizoram

Survey to assess the gap between the child births

3901. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have carried out any survey to assess the areas, communities, sects, etc, wherein the gap between the child births is less and have produced more children than the desired number in relation to the requirement of the nation during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the conclusions arrived at;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the special efforts being made in high population growth segments to bring down the rate of growth in population?